



Brownfields 2007 Grant Fact Sheet

Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life, Palo Alto, CA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life (TKCJL) was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. The TKCJL is targeting a former aerospace facility located in the City of Palo Alto (population 61,200) in the San Francisco Bay area known as the South Peninsula. The TKCJL plans to develop a multi-purpose, intergenerational campus on the target site that will be open to the entire community. The site presently is contaminated from past uses, posing a threat to the health of the surrounding community. TKCJL is currently housed in interim facilities spread



Cleanup Grant



\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life for a brownfields cleanup grant. Grant funds will be used to clean up the eight-acre site as the future home of the Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life at 901 San Antonio Avenue in Palo Alto. The site was formerly an aerospace facility. Environmental concerns include volatile organic compounds and vinyl chloride contamination in groundwater and soil.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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over several locations. These accommodations have eroded membership and reduced the quality and quantity of low-cost services, educational opportunities, and cultural programs that are offered to the community. Cleanup of the target site will serve as the first step in its redevelopment into a place to socialize, learn, and grow.